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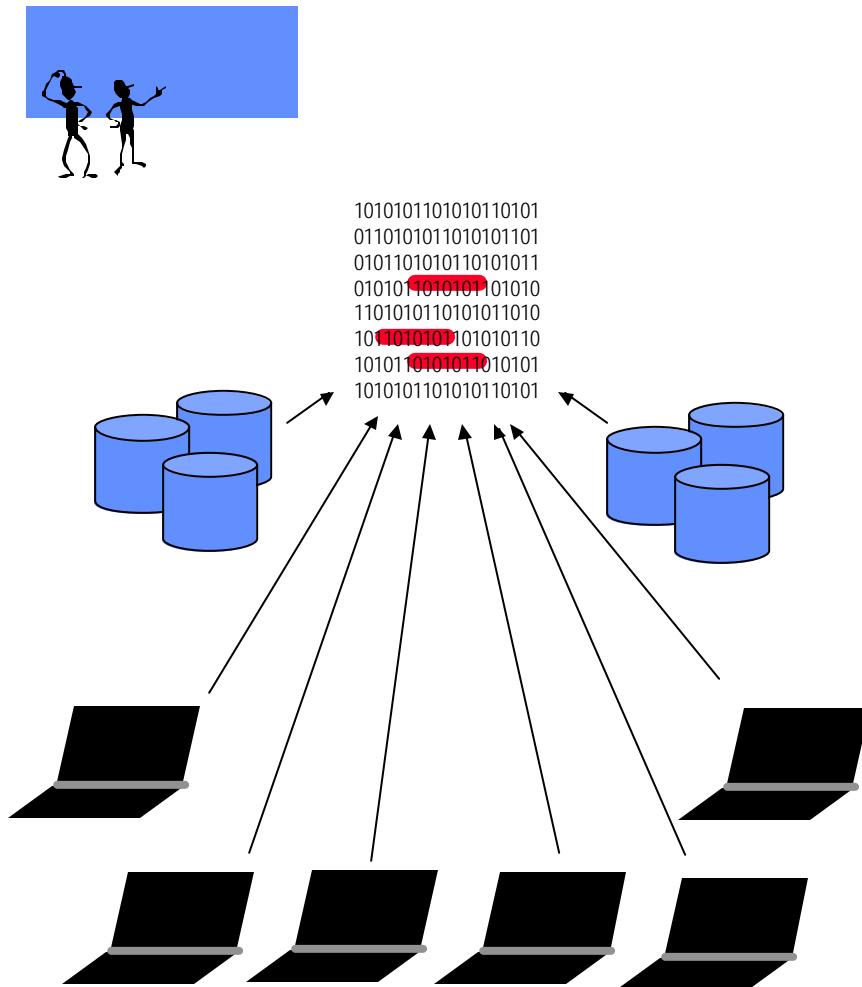
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Vision



- New Capability:
Situational Awareness
- Reduce Overload:
Analyst Workbench
- Protect Centers of Gravity:
Survivable Servers
- Pervasive Sensors:
Hardened Clients

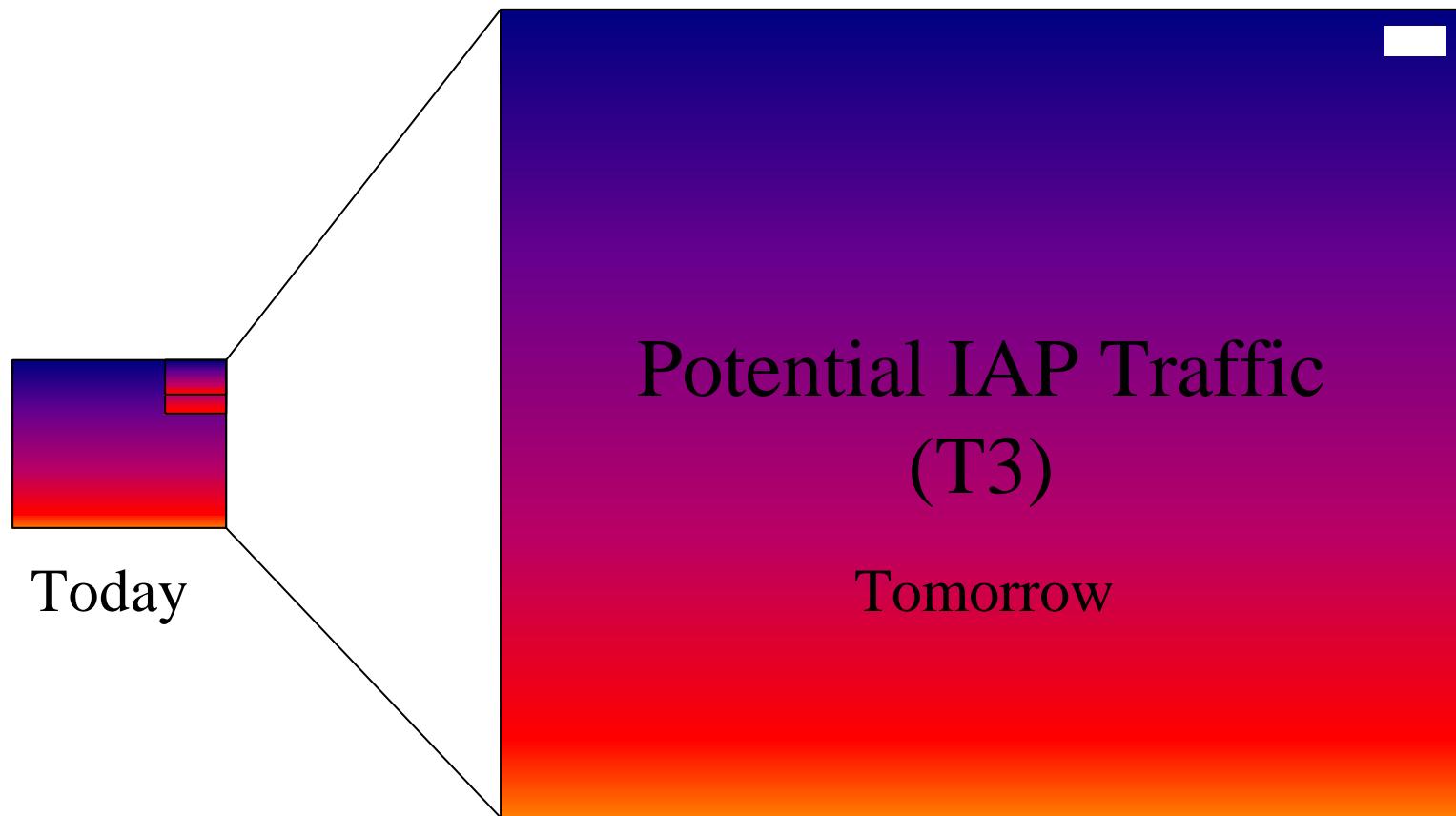
- **Objectives:**
 - ◆ Accelerate transition of effective technologies
 - ◆ Inform research agenda with operational experience
- **Key Experimentation Risks, Transition Metrics:**
 - ◆ Limited operational staff time
 - ◆ Impact on operational systems
- **Approach:**
 - ◆ Leverage mature research, well tested in lab
 - ◆ Field cautiously: walk before we run

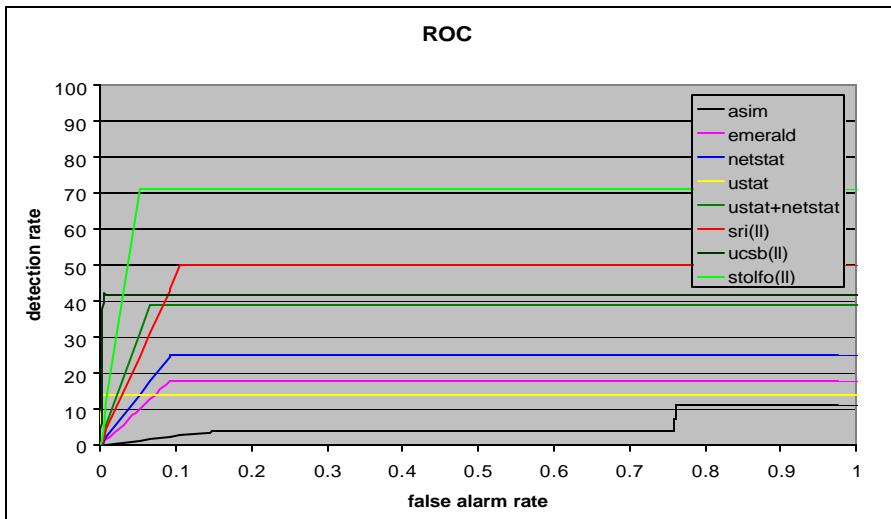
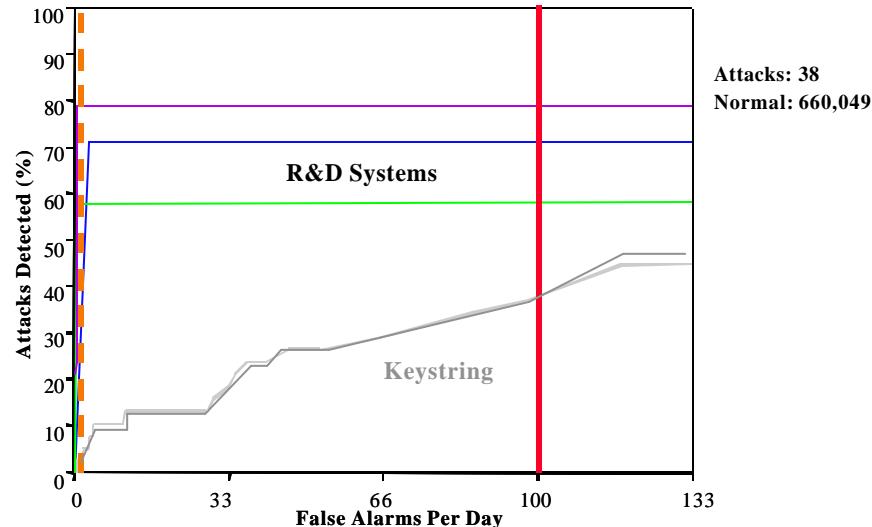


The Analyst's Challenge



Impact of Transition to T3 volume at Internet Access Points





DARPA 1998 Results (MIT/LL and AFRL)

- Operational sensors:
 - ◆ Hundreds of false alarms per attack
 - ◆ Actually miss most attacks
- Research sensors:
 - ◆ Dramatically reduce false alarm rates
 - ◆ Substantially improve detection coverage



Analyst Workbench



- Analysts currently overwhelmed
 - ◆ Flood of data, high false alarm, low detection rates
 - ◆ Not... real time, decision quality, always actionable
- DARPA Algorithms
 - ◆ Over a dozen lab tested real time algorithms
 - ◆ Data mining, anomaly, self organizing, expert systems
- Execution: September 2001 – September 2002

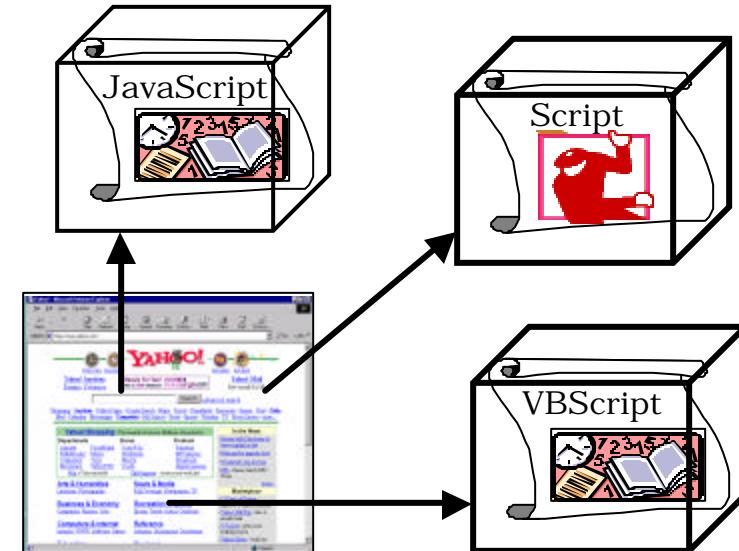
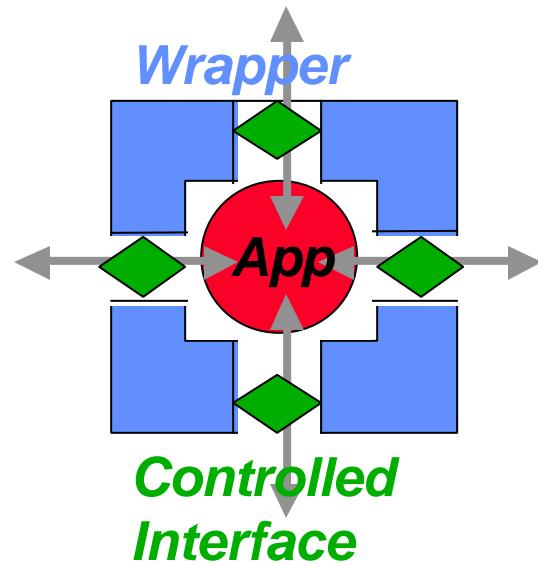


Hardened Client

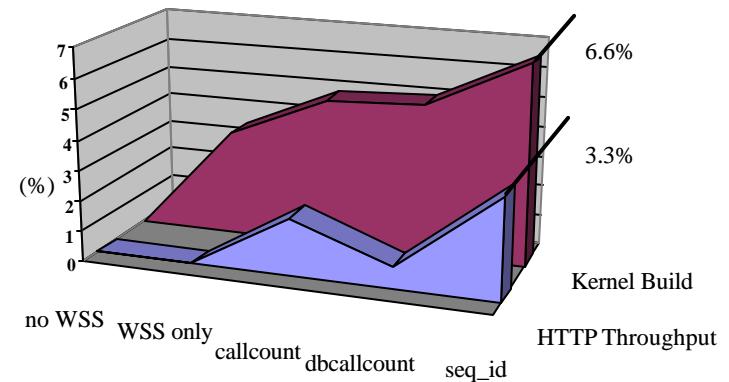


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- MARFORPAC Challenge
 - ◆ Classic SIPR/NIPR PC problem
 - ◆ Compounded by TAD laptop theft
 - ◆ Insider threat and unknown viruses

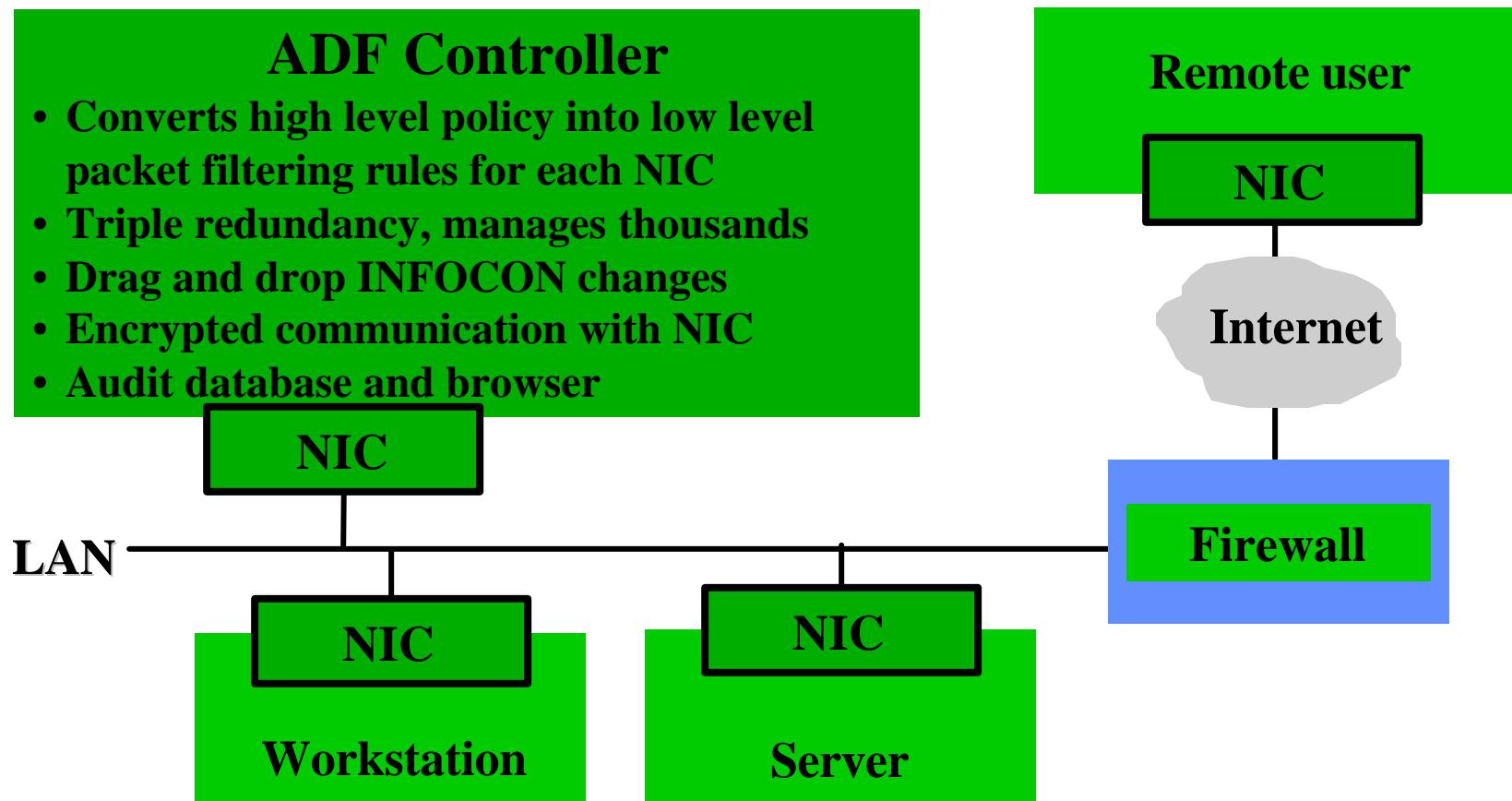
 - Proposed Technology
 - ◆ Safe e-mail “wrappers” and encrypting file system
 - ◆ Autonomic Distributed Firewall
 - ◆ PGP Disk & Disk Eraser



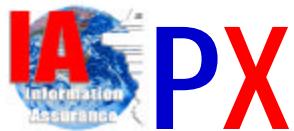
- Trap and stop unknown viruses
- Enable safer use of mobile code
- Performance impact: Low
- Availability: Solaris, Linux, NT, Win2K



- Firewall on Network Interface Card (NIC)
- Hardware based cryptographic accelerator
- Trustworthy control of untrustworthy OS



Made by Secure Computing and 3Com
Research performed under DARPA sponsorship



Hardened Client Timeline



- MARFORPAC Limited Objective Experiment
 - ◆ Apply safe e-mail wrappers and encrypting file system
 - ◆ MARFORPAC approved internal experiment charter
 - ◆ Execution: Late CY2001, RSO&I 02, UFL 02
- Fleet Battle Experiment India (C3F)
 - ◆ Execution: Jun 2001 – Autonomic Distributed Firewall (PCI)
- Fleet Battle Experiment Juliet Goals (PACFLT)
 - ◆ Complete application of diverse wrappers
 - ◆ Autonomic Distributed Firewall (PCMCIA)



Survivable Server



- **Motivating factors:**

- ◆ High-value and commonly targeted center of gravity
- ◆ Need Intrusion Tolerant Systems:

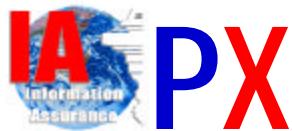
Ability to confidently execute mission while under attack

- ◆ Reactive defense not adequate

- **Possible technologies:**

- ◆ PASIS: Perpetually Available Survivable Information System
 - Leverage fragmentation, redundancy, and scattering*
- ◆ SELinux, Immunix, Emerald, NetTop Vmware, Wrappers

- **Execution: 2002**



Situational Awareness



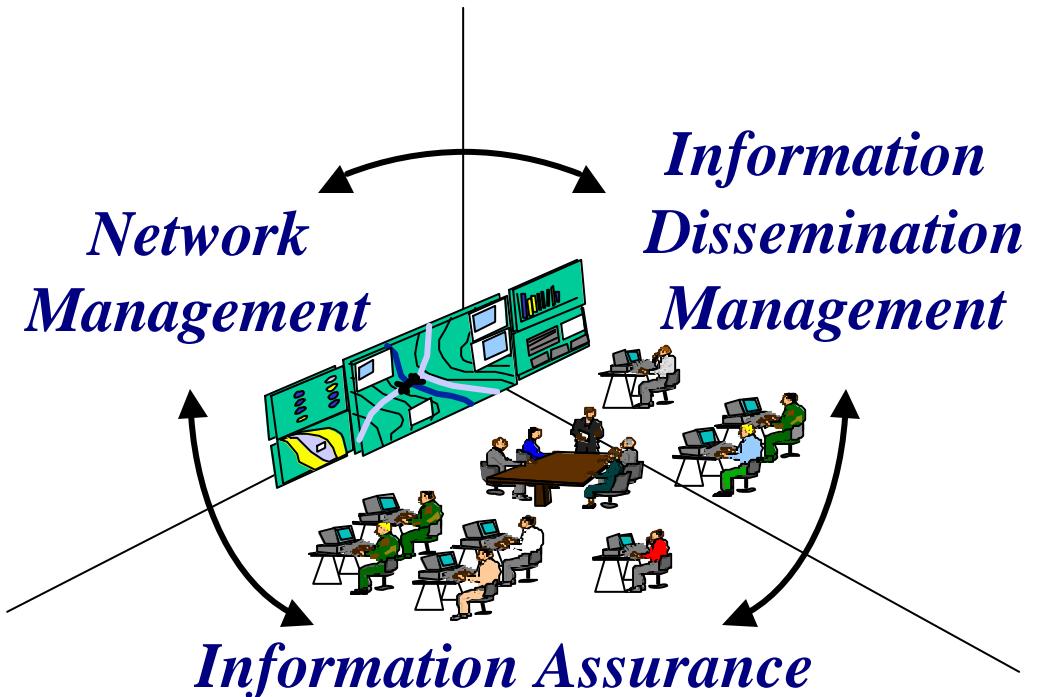
- Am I under attack ?
- What is the nature of the attack ?
 - ◆ Class, mechanism, and source
- What is mission impact ?
 - ◆ Urgency, damage assessment and control, initial response
- When did attack start ?
 - ◆ More detailed damage assessment. What have I done wrong ?
- Who is attacking?
 - ◆ What are they trying to do? What is their next step ?
- What can I do about it ?
 - ◆ Course of action analysis, collateral damage risk, reversibility

Need

- **Theater Wide**
- **Real Time**
- **Decision Quality**
- **Actionable Information**

Strategy

- Leverage Cyber Panel emerging research





Summary

